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Mr. Austin R. Evers
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RE: Freedom of Information Act Request
FOIA Control No.: 17-FI-HQ-02083

Dear Mr. Evers:

This letter is the second interim response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated and received on September 12, 2017. The FOIA request is currently the subject of litigation you filed in U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, *American Oversight v. HUD*, Civil Action No. 18-0512. You asked for all Department of Housing and Urban Development records since June 1, 2017, reflecting communications—including emails, meetings, calendar entries, phone calls, phone logs, or text messages—between HUD Region II Administrator Lynne Patton and any of the following:

- President Trump
- Ivanka Trump (Kushner)
- Jared Kushner
- Donald Trump, Jr.
- Vanessa (Haydon) Trump
- Eric Trump
- Lara (Yanuska) Trump
- Tiffany Trump
- Anyone employed by or representing the Trump Organization, the Donald J. Trump Foundation, the Eric Trump Foundation, or the Seryl and Charles Kushner Charitable Foundation
- Anyone using email addresses from the following domains:
 - @trump.com
 - @trumporg.com
 - @trumpgolf.com
 - @trumpinternationalrealty.com
 - @trumpwinery.com
 - @trumphotels.com
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 - @ivankatrump.com
 - @jkfamily.com

A search of Ms. Patton's landline and mobile phone call records failed to locate any records responsive to your request. Specifically, searches were run for each of the telephone numbers provided in your February 28, 2019, email, with no matches located in either incoming or outgoing call records. In June of 2017, Ms. Patton relocated from HUD Headquarters in Washington, D.C. to the Department's Region 2 office in New York. As was detailed in our February 28, 2019, correspondence regarding FOIA request 17-FI-HQ-02079, landline call logs are not available for Region 2. Thus, this search included mobile phone records from Ms. Patton's time in both Headquarters and Region 2, and landline records from Headquarters only.

Please be advised that a search is ongoing for additional records responsive to your request. Further interim responses may be provided to you as this process continues. At the completion of the Department's search and review, a final response letter will be provided. The final response letter will detail all applicable appeal rights. The Department's first interim response, consisting of responsive Microsoft Outlook records, was sent to you on September 26, 2018.

For your information, your FOIA request, including your identity and any information made available, is releasable to the public under subsequent FOIA requests. In responding to these requests, the Department does not release personal information, such as home address, telephone number, or Social Security number, all of which are protected from disclosure under FOIA Exemption 6.

If you have questions regarding your request, please contact Assistant United States Attorney Daniel Schaefer at (202) 252-2531 or Daniel.Schaefer@usdoj.gov. Thank you for your interest in the Department's programs and policies.

Sincerely,



Deborah R. Snowden
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The Department has completed its search and identified no text messages (including standard text messages or those exchanged through messaging applications such as WhatsApp) exchanged between Ms. Patton and the named individuals or organizations. Two interim responses—dated September 26, 2018, and April 5, 2019, respectively—covered the Department’s searches of Ms. Patton’s email, calendar, and landline and cell phone call logs.

I am the official responsible for this determination based on information provided by the Department’s Office of Administration, Office of Field Policy and Management, Office of General Counsel, and Office of the Chief Information Officer. You may appeal this determination within 90 days from the date of this letter. If you decide to appeal, your appeal should include copies of your original request and this response, as well as a discussion of the reasons supporting the appeal. With regard to Exemption 6, your appeal should address the nature of the overriding public interest in disclosure that outweighs the personal privacy interest protected by the exemption. The envelope should be plainly marked to indicate that it contains a FOIA appeal and should be addressed to:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
 Attention: FOIA Appeals
 Office of Ethics and Appeals Law Division
 Office of General Counsel
 451 Seventh Street, SW, Suite 2130
 Washington, DC 20410

Telephone: (202) 708-3815

You may also submit your appeal online at:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/foia/foiaappeals.

In addition, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows:

Office of Government Information Services
 National Archives and Records Administration
 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS
 College Park, Maryland 20740-6001

Telephone: 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448

FAX: 202-741-5769

Email: ogis@nara.gov

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Deborah R. Snowden". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'D' and 'S'.

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